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## **NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE**



In Boston and Chicago, prices were unchanged to higher. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone remained fully steady to firm. Demand ranged moderate to good, mostly good, and was best where features were either planned or in progress. Supplies of all sizes were about adequate to close, and the extra large and large sizes were often in the better position. On the West Coast, supplies of all sizes were short. Breaking stock supplies were about adequate to close from regular sources, and offerings of additional product were limited for the fair to good demand. Light type hens were sufficient for immediate needs.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Boston prices were unchanged to 5 cents higher. In New England and Philadelphia prices were unchanged. Supplies were usually sufficient for a slightly improved demand. The undertone was mixed but generally fully steady to firm.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate but cautious as movement was somewhat irregular. Offerings were mixed but still adequate for most trade needs. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady.

MIDWEST Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were 11 cents higher for large, up 8 cents for medium, and increased 4 cents for small. Prices in Chicago were up 11 cents for both extra large and large and were 8 cents higher for medium. Prices in other areas were unchanged. Prices reflect changes from Tuesday's reported prices. The trade sentiment ended the week fully steady to firm. Demand into both retail and food service outlets was mostly good. Supplies were close for extra large and large and were about adequate to at times close for the balance. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were sharply higher from Tuesday's reported price. Demand was fairly good to good for the limited offerings. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

**CHICAGO** Prices for extra large and large advanced 5 cents, mediums increased 3 cents. Trade sentiment steady to firm. Retail and food service demand moderate to good, best where features are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate to close on all sizes.

**SOUTHERN** Prices were unchanged. The market remained fully steady to firm. Demand was often brisk entering the weekend, and retail movement was usually enhanced by attractive promotional activity. Supplies of all sizes continued about adequate to close. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were ranging higher than the current week. Breaking stock supplies were usually adequate from regular sources and demand for additional product remained fair. Light type hens were sufficient for current needs.

**WEST COAST** Prices unchanged. The market tone was very firm. Asking prices for next week in California 10 cents higher on jumbo, 13 cents higher on extra large, large, medium, and small; in the Northwest 12 cents higher on all sizes. Retailer demand good, best to cover widespread features. Offerings short.

PRICES TO RETAILERS - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	90-103	77-89	56-71
New York	65-67	62-65	51-54
Philadelphia	50-65	48-63	37-51
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	43-44	41.5-43	35-36
Jackson (1)	53-54	50-51	42-43
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	50-63	47-61	39-53
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	54-59	53-58	43-48
Detroit (2)	40-43	39-42	31-34
Major Ohio Cities (2)	41-46	40-44	30-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	44-51	42-49	35-42
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	58-59	55-58	45-47
Southern California(Grade A	(A)(4) 59-71	57-64	48-54
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	75	67	58
(1) - Prices Reported Weekl	v (3) - Report	ted Invoice Pri	ces

(4) - Prices To Retailers (2) - Delivered Warehouse

**CALIFORNIA** Prices unchanged. The market was very firm with asking prices for next week 10 cents higher on jumbo, 13 cents higher on extra large, large, medium, and small. Retailer demand good. Offerings short. Small invoice price 38. Ads in Southern California: major-large dozen buy 1 get 1 free, 18 pack 99; smaller outlets- extra large dozen 69, 20 pack 139.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS,

CENTS PER DOZEN.	RANGE
JUMBO	92
EXTRA LARGE	75
LARGE	67
MEDIUM	58

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED

STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN. RANGE JUMBO 79-89 **EXTRA LARGE** 59-71 LARGE 57-64 **MEDIUM** 48-54

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS,

CENTS PER DOZEN. RANGE JUMBO 229-289 **EXTRA LARGE** 199-279 LARGE 169-209 **MEDIUM** 139-205

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK All prices were higher. Breakers in need of additional heavy nest runs were bidding sharply higher prices. Demand was fairly good to good for the limited offerings. Floor stocks were in close balance with needs. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Finished product demand was good to very good for liquid whole and usually good for liquid whites and yolk.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB, MINIMUM NET WEIGHT. DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	28-34	32-34
<b>CHECKS &amp; UNDERGRADES</b>	13-18	16-18
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AI	R,CO,IA,IL	,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,
N	E,OH,OK,	SD,TX,WI

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Prices were sharply higher when compared to early week trading. Demand was fair for irregular offerings. The market tone was mixed but firm. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending October 16, 1999 were 3 % more than last week and last year. PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

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	RANGE	MOSILY
NEST RUN	31-36	31-32
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	16-20	
EASTERN REGION AREA: AL	,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,M	E,MD,MA,MS,NH,
NJ	,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN	I,VT,VA,WV

#### EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 16-OCT-99 (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS) (LBS IN THOUSANDS) DRIED INED. **CASES** LIQUID LIQUID LIQUID **BROKEN** WHOLE WHITE YOLK C W 1,242,045 28,789 11,437 6,558 2,803 3,856 27,251 12,272 6,428 2,420 3,916 PW1,218,404 3,430 LY 1,055,824 25,402 9,496 4,995 2,073 %PW 2 -7 2 -2 6 16 % LY 18 20 31 35 12 13 1999 45,664,244 1,059,690 435,948 237,944 106,102 144,376 1998 43,378,759 988,063 430,453 229,010 105,298 139,557

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -						
CURRENT F	PREVIOUS	LAST				
WEEK	WEEK	YEAR				
40.77	40.93	41.03				

# **NATIONAL LIQUID EGGS**

No pasteurized whites reported. Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 52 and 52.5 cents fob. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm for whole egg, steady for whites and at least steady to instances fully steady for yolk. Demand for liquid whole egg was good to very good with additional offerings very limited. Yolk and white offerings were reported as usually adequate for current needs.

			C	HANGE FROM
CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	20	22-33.5	29.13	4.69
WHITES	15	24.75-27	25.68	.47
YOLKS	12	42-51.5	49.29	.11

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN EGGS** Prices were irregular, although most of the majority prices were unchanged except salt yolk which was unchanged to slightly lower. Trade sentiment ranged steady to firm as shell egg prices trended sharply higher and offerings were about adequate. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending October 16, 1999 were unchanged from last week, and 2 % more than last year. Shell egg supplies were occasionally short to adequate for needs.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOT	S	LTL
		(MIN. 2	5 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	41-46	43-44	48-52
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		55-70
WHITES	36-41	38-40	43-54
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOL	IDS) 57-60	57-59	64-69
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLID	S) 50-59	53-56	59-65
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SV	WEETENER,	GENERALLY	/ 28-32%
EGG SOLIDS.			

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN EGGS** Prices ranged generally unchanged from last week's reported prices. The trade sentiment was steady to mostly fully steady for all frozen products. Offerings were adequate for the mostly hand to mouth demand. Many sellers not willing to price finished frozen product very far out front due to the recent volatility in the market place. Floor stocks were usually adequate and not as abundant as the previous week. WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) **TRUCKLOTS** 

,	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	40-45	42
WHITES	37-40	37-39
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	55-58	57
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	52-55	52-54

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN EGGS** Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 10/16 was 1% more than the previous week. Breaking stock ample, mainly undergrades and light weights. Frozen demand improved seasonally. Freezer stocks easily adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	47-50
WHITES	42-45
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	60-63
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	57-60

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT** Prices were very irregular with majority values in a full range of slightly lower to slightly higher. Trade sentiment was mixed, although most were anticipating increased levels. Offerings were adequate for a light to moderate demand. Liquid supplies were irregular with offering of yolks in the tightest position. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending October 16, 1999 were 16 % more than last week, and 35 % more the same week a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAIN-ERS. TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.53-1.70	MOSTLY 1.55-1.65
YOLKS	1.38-1.50	MOSTLY 1.40-1.45
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.10-3.30	MOSTLY 3.10-3.25
<b>BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER</b>	R)1.25-1.35	MOSTLY1.30-1.35

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES. WEEKLY (5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/15/99-10/21/99															
CURRENT	LOADS	;	99.00	-			<b>FUTURE L</b>	OADS	52.	00		7	TOTAL L	OADS.	151.00
	5	SE		NE	I.	ΙW			5	SC	N	1W	S	W	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	39.50	41.00	30.70	36.57	47.56	_	45.25	GNR W 1	_	52.91	_	_	_	_	16.25
GNR W 2	_	_	_	_	32.00	40.00	5.00	GNR W 2	_	_	_	_	_	42.00	1.00
GNR W 3	_	_	_	_	35.00	_	2.75	GNR W 3	_	38.00	_	_	_	_	1.75
GNR W 4	_	_	_	_	22.00	24.00	1.00	GL W XL	_	54.50	_	52.00	_	52.00	4.00
GNR BR 1	_	_	55.00	61.00	_	58.50	6.00	GL W LG	_	48.50	_	_	_	51.25	9.00
GL W XL	_	_	36.50	45.25	44.00	51.75	14.00	GLWMD	_	40.00	_	_	34.00	37.00	12.00
GL W LG	_	_	37.50	42.08	41.14	_	17.00	GLWSM	_	_	_	_	18.00	21.50	2.00
GL W MD	_	_	34.13	36.60	34.75	29.25	15.00	NRBS - 50	_	_	_	_	_	_	1.00
GLWSM	_	_	15.75	17.63	18.00	_	5.00	NRBS - 48	24.20	_	_	_	_	_	5.00
NRBS - 50	_	_	_	_		30.00	2.00								

**USDA EGG MARKET NEWS REPORT** 

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

22.00

5.00

1.00

4.00

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices unchanged. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Trade sentiment continues about steady.

28.00

28.65

30.90

30.50

30.83

32.00

33.50

31.80

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Trading was too few to report. Demand was light to moderate for fully adequate offerings. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

**EASTERN LIGHT** Prices were unchanged. Demand was light for about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were normal for next week. Finished product sales were clearing. Undertone was steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT Plant schedules heavy. Offerings ample.

#### **LIVE HENS**

NRBS - 48

NRBS - 45

NRBS - 42

**NRBS - 36** 

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Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

<u>HEAVY</u>	RANGE		<u>MAJORITY</u>		
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)			
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)			
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR				
South Central Heavy	TFEWR	(1)			
<u>LIGHT</u>	<b>RANGE</b>		<b>MAJORITY</b>		
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)			
Eastern Light	0	(2)			
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)			
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)			
No. Central Light	05	(2)			
(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading					
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO	REPORT				

<u>SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA</u> FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Oct-99 AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	<b>EXLARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	59.17	56.80	47.25
SOUTHERN	49.73	47.82	40.45
MIDWEST	45.83	44.58	36.34
WESTERN	67.70	62.28	52.83
TWELVE METRO AREAS	58.27	55.08	46.06
COMPUTED FROM SIMPL	LE WEEKLY A	VERAGES V	<b>WEIGHTED BY</b>
METROPOLITAN AREA PO	OPULATIONS		

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Majority prices were about unchanged on light canners and unchanged to slightly higher on heavy canners. Retail interest continued to improve. Canner interest ranged from light to improved. Offerings were sufficient for needs but product was clearing. Undertone was generally steady to fully steady on heavy canners and mostly steady on lights.

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CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)
(WITHOUT NECKS)

20-27 MAJORITY 25-25.5 32.5-34 MAJORITY 33-34 CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED **LIGHT** 

CANNER HENS HEAVY CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

25-29 MAJORITY 26-27 32.25-36.75 MAJORITY 36.25-36.5

LIVE POULTRY SLTR	D UNDER INSPEC	CTION W/E	16-OCT-99		
(PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY					
	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL		
HEAD	1,683	1,620	3,303		
LASTWEEK	1,831	1,652	3,483		
SAME WEEK YR AGC	1,606	1,293	2,899		
TO-DATE/1999	85,576	57,790	143,366		
TO-DATE/1998	84,090	51,780	135,870		
	U.S. FOWL SLAU	IGHTERED I	N CANADA		
	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL		
	HENS	HENS	HENS		
_		<b>THOUSAND</b>	S		
HEAD	353	0	353		
LAST WEEK	434	0	434		
SAME WEEK YR AGC	270	12	282		
TO-DATE/1999	19,075	186	19,261		
TO-DATE/1998	21,603	281	21,884		
SOURCE: AGRICULT	URE CANADA, P	OULTRY DE	VELOPMENT		
DIVISION					

DIVISION
TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	
	T⊦	IOUSANDS	S————	
HEAD	2,036	1,620	3,656	
LAST WEEK	2,265	1,652	3,917	
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,876	1,305	3,181	
TO-DATE/1999	104,651	57,976	162,627	
TO-DATE/1998	105,693	52,061	157,754	

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#### **INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS**

#### U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

	Week Ending Oct	t. 09, 1999	Ye	ear-To-Date
Type	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Liquid	257	619	10,875	11,987
Frozen	0	0	6	50
Dried	0	0	464	537
Total	257	619	11,345	12,574

#### U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (Preliminary)

	Week Ending O	ct. 09, 1999	Υ	ear-To-Date
Type	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Liquid	33	41	3,642	3,338
Frozen	36	0	401	172
Dried	3	0	169	235
Total	72	41	4,212	3,745
Inspected Shell Eggs				

#### U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

Week	Ending Oct. 0	9, 1999	Yea	ır-To-Date
	1999	1998 /1	1999	1998
Jumbo	0	0	1,131	1,295
Extra Large	1,530	0	33,719	29,491
Large	4,740	5,654	114,460	91,973
Medium	750	1,125	39,164	46,969
Ungraded	15,740	16,940	499,163	267,723
Misc	0	0	7,217	6,133
Total	22,760	23,719	694,854	443,584
/1 Comparable	Week, to-date	figures may	not total due	to roundir

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<u>DETROIT</u> PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE.

JUMBO	<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
48-51	39-45	37-42	29-34	15-19

<u>IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN</u> PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

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LARGE	MEDIUM		<b>SMALL</b>
34-36	25-27		9-11

**NEW ENGLAND** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES

EXCHANGED, GRA	ADE YIELD BA	SIS, BROWN I	EGGS LOOSE	, AT FARN
JUMBO	<b>EX LARGE</b>	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
117-120	82-85	68-71	50-53	14-17

#### WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

SELECTED STORAGE CENTERS

(INCLUDES GOVERNMENT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP	
	LBS	LBS	LBS	
AM 18-Oct-99	3,377	168,640	93,017	
AM 1-Oct-99	4,146	183,153	95,290	
CHG	-769	-14513	-2273	
PCT CHG	-19	-8	-2	
CK TTL	8,311	366,314	190,582	

<b>MOVEMENT OF</b>	EGGS INTO RETA	AIL CHANNELS	<b>S</b> W/E 16-C	CT-99
SELECTED CC	NSUMINGCW	PW PE	RCENT CH	G
CENTERS	THOUSANDSTHO	DUSANDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	33.6	27.8	21	10
BOSTON	4.9	4.3	14	-58
CHICAGO	58.6	42.5	38	43
DETROIT	25.3	31.2	-19	-6
KANSAS CITY	0.1	0.1	0	0
LOS ANGELES	91.4	89.0	3	10
NEW ORLEANS	3 10.2	13.3	-23	-33
NEW YORK	40.8	44.7	-9	-14
ST. LOUIS	17.1	15.1	13	31
SAN FRANCISO	CO 19.6	21.2	-8	7
TOTAL	301.6	289.2	4	5
4 WK MVG AVG	286.8			

# **COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT** FOR W/E 16-OCT-99 (RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

	CASES PEI	RCENT CHA	NGE FROM
REGIONS	(IN THOUS) PR	REVIOUS	LAST
		WEEK	YEAR
N. ATLANTIC	247.4	3	3
E.N. CENTRAL	473.5	-2	15
W.N. CENTRAL	240.6	1	12
S. ATLANTIC	202.4	0	-1
S. CENTRAL	73.3	-2	-11
WEST	155.5	-33	-32
TOTAL	1,392.7	-5	1
MATCHED PLANTS R	EPORTING	91	91

# NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR. 10/19/99 EX-LARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL

DOOR. 10/19/99	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SWALL
MAINE	104	91	70	41
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	98-102	84-88	66-70	36-40
MOSTLY	100-101	86-87	68-69	38-39
RHODE ISLAND	100-104	87-91	69-73	39-43
MOSTLY	100	87	69	39
VERMONT	105-107	94-95	70-73	-
MOSTLY	107	94	73	-

MONTHLY COLD STO	(In Units Of 1,000)			
	Aug 31	Aug 31	Sep 30	Sep 30
	1998	1999	1998	1999
FROZEN EGGS:				
Whites	915	665	753	557
Yolks	933	677	896	705
Whole & Mixed	5,802	6,255	5,618	6,182
Unclassified	1,343	1,213	928	976
Total Frozen Eggs	8,993	8,810	8,195	8,420

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